

SAYS MEMORIAL DAY WAS BEGUN IN SOUTH

Custom Is Forty-seven Years
Old, Declares Mrs. Maxwell,
of Washington.

Celebration of Memorial Day is a custom of forty-seven years' standing, and was first inaugurated by the women of the South, who gathered to honor their dead in St. Luke's Church, Columbus, Ga., April 25, 1866, according to Lucia R. Maxwell, of 1625 Fifteenth street northwest.

Mrs. Maxwell takes issue with those who assert that the observance of Memorial Day was begun by General Logan or others. She says that it is typically a Southern custom, and in proof of her position she gives the history of many memorial services held nearly half a century ago, before May 30 was recognized as a day to commemorate the Union dead.

April 25 was first selected for the celebration she says, because it was the anniversary of the surrender of General Johnston and the abandonment of the cause of the Confederacy. Col. James H. Ramsey, said Mrs. Maxwell, was the first Memorial Day orator in Columbus, and the "inspiration of the day was in the hearts of Southern womanhood who gathered to honor their dead and show their reverence for their heroes."

Mrs. Maxwell, in telling of the inception of the custom, said that she had seen the bones of a soldier in the yard of the house where she was born. She said that the dog led him to a shallow grave dug in the ground that had been occupied alternately by Federals and Confederates, and which probably contained the bones of both armies. Recent rains had exposed the bones and they were dug up and reinterred at once under the direction of General Pickett.

"When the spring blossoms opened, the general and I, with our children, gathered them to put on the graves covered graves," says Mrs. Maxwell, "keeping in our hearts as we decorated the mounds that held the Federal soldiers' tender thoughts of sorrowing mothers, wives and sisters far away who could never know where their loved ones were buried. This was the first Memorial Day."

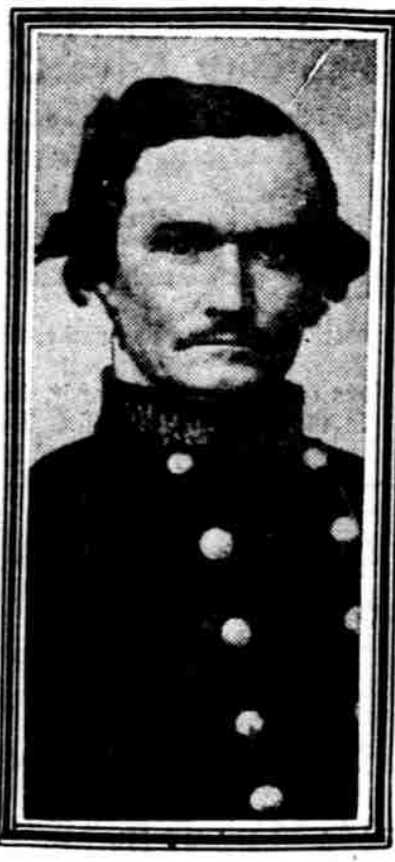
"And Rev. John T. Huddle, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Eleventh and H street northwest, has stated that it originated in the 'casual remark of a German soldier. In Germany it was the custom of the people to set one day in the year apart for the purpose of scattering flowers upon the graves of the dead," he said.

Are Impressed.

"The simple beauty of the sentiment deeply impressed his comrades, and through them was likely brought to the attention of Adj. Gen. N. P. Chipman, who, with National Commander John A. Logan, of the Grand Army of the Republic, as the day upon which to honor the Union dead. * * * But the records which I have in my possession show that previous to those celebrations, on April 25, 1866, memorial services were held in St. Luke's Church, Columbus, Ga., and the graves of the Confederate dead were decorated with flowers. Col. James H. Ramsey, who commanded the First Georgia Regiment in Virginia, and who succeeded General Garnet in command of that department of the Virginia army, was killed at Carrocks Ford, delivered the memorial address. The Columbus (Ga.) Inquirer, of April 27, 1861, has the following: 'On April 25, 1861, the army of Gen. J. E. Johnston surrendered, on that day the stars and stripes were lowered and the hopes of a Southern Confederacy were abandoned. The ladies of Columbus, acting on an sweet an impulse as ever rhymed melodies in the souls of noble women, suggested that the day would be a most suitable one for the memorial occasion—for honoring the dead of the Lost Cause and showing the deep reverence Southern entertain for their heroes. The suggestion found a response in every true heart from the Potomac to the Rio Grande, and yesterday thousands all over the land were decorating the graves of those who fell while wearing the gray and defending their homes and loved ones.'

"Memory today searching the reminiscences of those four weary years recalls the heavy mists, the altered clothing, the bivouac 'mid cold and sleet, or, again, sweet sleep 'neath the blue sky and brilliant stars, the tireless sentinel, the merry laugh that made a jest of toil and battle, the picturesque scenes around the campfires, the Confederate charging with a yell, the carnage, the wounded, and the

Memorial Orator



COL. JAMES H. RAMSEY.

brave hearts that throbbed their last on the field of honor, the last sad days and the surrender—all come thronging on the soul with a sense of exultation and exquisite pain. The observance of yesterday and preceding years have proved that—

"All are not dead who die; death can not kill
The memory of the loved,
Vellied from our vision, they are with us still.

Whose hearts the years have proved:
"The memorial address in 1866 was delivered by Col. J. N. Ramsey, in St. Luke's Church, in the morning; decoration of graves in the afternoon. In 1867, Dr. E. F. Colver delivered his address in Temperance Hall; decorations as before. In 1868, Major R. J. Moses delivered the address in the cemetery in the afternoon; decorations afterward. In 1869, Capt. J. P. Foul spoke in the same place at the same hour. In 1870, T. W. Grimes, Esq., spoke in Temperance Hall; decoration in the afternoon. In 1871, C. H. Williams, Esq., delivered the address in Springer's Opera House; decorations in the afternoon. * * * * *

"At the time of the first memorial service there in Columbus, Ga., there was stationed a regiment of Federal soldiers, and it was reported that the officers objected to a public demonstration. A committee of ladies called on Colonel Ramsey, telling him what they had heard, and asked if the exercises should be called off. He replied to their invitation to be orator for the occasion:

"I accept the honor with all its responsibilities, and, by the help of God and the presence of the women, I will tell the story of the heroic deeds and patriotic devotion of my fallen comrades."

When he began to speak an April crowd gathered over the assembled crowd, composed mostly of women and children.

Angels Weep.

"Lifting his eyes toward heaven, he said: 'Women of the South, be encouraged; the angels are in sympathy with you, and are now mingling their tears with yours over the graves of our noble dead.'

"Thus we see that Memorial Day originated in the hearts of Southern womanhood, who gathered together on that 25th of April, 1866, in Columbus, Ga., to pay homage to the valor, courage and heroism of the sons of the South who at the bugle blast of duty laid down their lives on the altar of their beloved land."

"This beautiful custom spread through the South, then the North took it up, celebrating May 30 as their Decoration Day, and decorating with flowers both the graves of the Blue and the Gray has helped to cement the friendship of the North and South, and to make this a reunited country."

"In Washington, where the seasons are late, the first Sunday in June has been chosen as Memorial Day, and today the scions of the South will gather at Arlington to commemorate in song and story, deeds of valor, heroism and patriotism which have stirred the souls of thousands, and which, like martial music, for half a century have gone sounding down the ages, inspiring youth to higher ideals and higher courage. Today is the forty-seventh anniversary of Memorial Day, and the same spirit of love and devotion that inspired that little band of Southern women still exists, and will today animate the loving hearts and gentle hands which will scatter flowers over the mounds, beneath which sleep the heroes of a great and glorious nation's death."

MORE CONFLICTS ON TARIFF EXPECTED

Finance Committee and Even
Caucus Contests May Force
Long Session.

The tariff bill will enter this week on the second important phase of its progress through the Senate. Up to date that progress has been decidedly slow, due to the fact the subcommittee of the Finance Committee have taken much time to shape up the schedules referred to them.

The subcommittee have nearly finished their work and will report the schedules on which they have been engaged to the full Democratic membership of the Finance Committee Tuesday morning. A meeting of that membership has been called for that date.

Report Is Still Uncertain.

Just when the full membership will be ready to submit the bill to the caucus of the Senate Democrats is uncertain. Hope is expressed that it will be ready for the caucus at the end of the coming week, and that it will be reported to the Senate about a week later.

Not much confidence is felt in this, however. In fact, many Senators look for so much conflict in the full Democratic membership of the Finance Committee and in the caucus, that they do not expect the bill back to the Senate before July 1. This means that it may

Relics Found After Thirty Years' Search

Rings worn by the Pharaohs.
Marble statue of Ramesses II.
Torso of Nefertiti by Myron, the
famous Greek sculptor.
Several ancient scarabs, inscribed.
Hundreds of Egyptian coins.
Two sandstone stelae dating back
to 1850 B. C.

be after July 4 before the real tariff struggle in the Senate begins.

Diamonds Troublesome.

The Johnson subcommittee has been wrestling with the duty on cut diamonds. That duty is 10 per cent. The Underwood bill increased it to 20. Now, the diamond importers have been urging that so high a duty would increase smuggling. They have impressed this notion on the subcommittee and the duty will probably be fixed at 15 per cent.

The subcommittee will modify the clause prohibiting importation of plumage of wild birds, but will not allow cigarettes to come in.

The subcommittee are working today in an effort to settle details of schedules for report to the full membership of the committee.

Traveling Men Adjourn.

SALISBURY, N. C., June 8.—The United Commercial Travelers of North and South Carolina closed their two-day session here, after selecting Greenville, S. C., as the meeting place for next year.

RARE RELICS FROM OLD EGYPT FOUND

Missing Since 1881, They May
Now Become Property of
New National Museum.

A collection of rare and ancient Egyptian relics, valued at \$50,000, for which archaeologists of the United States have been searching for more than thirty years, have been found, and will probably be placed soon in the National Museum. They were found in the home of Mrs. A. E. Moore, in Grafton, Mass., by the Rev. Dr. S. A. B. Mercer, of the Western Theological Seminary, Chicago.

Dr. Mercer says that the relics were brought to America in 1881, with the obelisk that stands in Central Park, New York. They have been hidden from the world ever since.

Dr. Mercer said that the relics of old Egypt were brought to this country by Dr. Thomas A. Highland, a naval surgeon, who accompanied Lieut. Henry A. Goring, U. S. N., on the obelisk expedition.

Dr. Highland spent the last years of his life at the Moore home here. He brought the collection from New York without telling anybody about it.

SHEET METAL MEN WILL GATHER HERE

Contractors to Begin Their
Ninth Annual Convention in
Capital Tuesday.

The advance guard of 500 delegates to a convention of sheet metal contractors reaches Washington tonight and tomorrow morning. The meeting beginning Tuesday will be the ninth annual convention and exposition of the National Association of Sheet Metal Contractors. The board of directors will have a session at 9:30 Tuesday morning, and the convention will be formally called to order at 12:30 in the new Masonic Temple. An address of welcome will be made by President Cuno H. Rudolph, of the Board of Commissioners.

It is expected that the delegates will be received by the President Wednesday afternoon. An exhibit of products will be conducted during the convention, which will last several days at the Masonic Temple. Wednesday morning, exhibitors will give five-minute talks, and that evening will be architects' night.

The convention is held with intent to improve the knowledge of members about the sheet metal business. John H. Hulse, of Omaha, is president of the association. The Washington branch of the executive committee has eighteen members, with F. P. Branstetter as chairman.

Government Accepts Baby Wright No. 2

The Government has accepted number two of the baby Wright speed scout which was tested out by Aviator Oscar Brindley at College Park Friday. It will be shipped West for use by the most expert aviators of the Government service. The aviation camp at Texas City will be broken tomorrow, and most of the fliers will go to the camp at San Diego.

The work on the national aerodynamic laboratory of the Smithsonian Institution, in honor of Prof. Langley, pioneer aviator, has progressed to the point of naming the following advisory committee: Capt. W. L. Chambers and Constructor Richardson, of the Navy Department; Dr. J. W. Humphreys, of the Weather Bureau; Maj. Gen. George P. Surber, chief signal officer of the army; Major Edward P. Russell, of the War Department Signal Corps; Dr. G. W. Stratton, director of the Bureau of Standards; Charles D. Walcott, of the Smithsonian Institution, permanent secretary; and Dr. F. Zahm, of the Washington Aero Club, recorder. Glenn Curtiss, Orville Wright, and John Hays Hammond are the civilian members of the advisory committee.

Mann Gets Tax Penalty.

CHICAGO, June 8.—Cook county tax assessors have added the name of James R. Mann, minority leader of the House of Representatives, to the list of residents delinquent in turning in personal property schedules. Fifty per cent was added to Mr. Mann's personal property assessment, making it \$1,500.

Financier's Son Has Executor Arrested

NEW YORK, June 8.—Allan A. Ryan, son of Thomas F. Ryan, the financier, has caused the arrest here of Walter A. Burke, a real estate operator, for alleged speculation in Wall Street with the funds of an estate of which Burke was the executor.

Ryan alleges that Burke confessed to him recently that he lost by speculation \$15,000 of the \$250,000 estate of Burke's sister, Matilda B. Brown. The money was placed by Burke with Ryan's brokerage firm.

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French Ramie Linens—45 inches wide, in two of the most asked for shades, Dorothy blue and azure blue; 89c values. A 59c yard only.

Woven Crepe—Silk-voile, Voile, Silk and Lace-stripe Imported Voile, Chiffon Voiles, all colors, including many black-and-white effects, practically all width stripes; values up to 50c a yard. Special tomorrow at 25c.

19c
Yd.

Our "Leader" in White Goods Monday—
50c White Bordered Voile.
Yd.

We might have searched all over the country and not find a fabric that is so generally popular this summer as this White Bordered Voile. Imported fabric, 45 in. wide with border formed of silk-finish strips in graduated sizes. We could only secure 35 pieces—and no more at this price when this quantity is sold. Real 50c goods, to be sold Monday at 25c a yd. These make up into the most beautiful of white frocks, and as they are quite wide, 45 in., a small quantity only is required.

75c Oyster White French Ramie Linens, 46 in. wide, and excellent for making skirts and suits, all pure linen, water-shrunk. Special value tomorrow at a yd. 50c.

25c White Dotted Swiss, 28 in. wide, in 3 size dots, small, medium and large. Special Monday, a yd., only 15c.

White Crepe Cloth, 28 in. wide, requires no ironing. 18c value. Monday, a yd., only 12½c.

White Military Duck, French linen finish, 28 in. wide, ideal for making skirts. 25c value. Special Monday at 12½c.

Main Floor—8th St. Annex—White Goods.

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11½c Longcloth

Tomorrow you can buy 36-in. Alpine Rose Longcloth, domestic make and quality that makes up into durable undermuslins. Worth 15c a yd. Main Floor—Domestic Section.

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